

I am an avid XM Radio fan. I pay \$10 a month for their service. That includes local weather and traffic. Is traffic & weather so infringing on local programming that this issue should have even been brought to the FCC's attention? NO! Give me a break! XM does not offer local news such as sports, news stories, etc. It offers weather and traffic! If anyone listens to local radio, you will hear that weather and traffice are a small offering on any local station. It is a 30-second filler to drab commentary by local DJs and their music. This is just a way for the NAB to bully any new competition (and I use the term competition lightly.) I still listen to my local stations quite often, but find this petition to be just a waste of the FCC's time and money. NAB's petition of 04-160 is un-American and spits in the eye of free enterprise. If I'm not mistaken, a similar issue was brought up when local stations fought to keep local broadcasting off of satellite TV. Now satellite tv has local news and programming. I'm sorry, but, please, worry about something meaningful. Work on issues that really matter. This is just awful. I can't believe that I would even have to defend such a minor issue, but if this sort of petition would lead to potential legislature, then we are in deep trouble. Please invalidate the NAB's petition 04-160. I, and the thousands of others posting to these comments, are citizens and voters that the FCC works for. We are telling you, unanimously, to back down on this issue.